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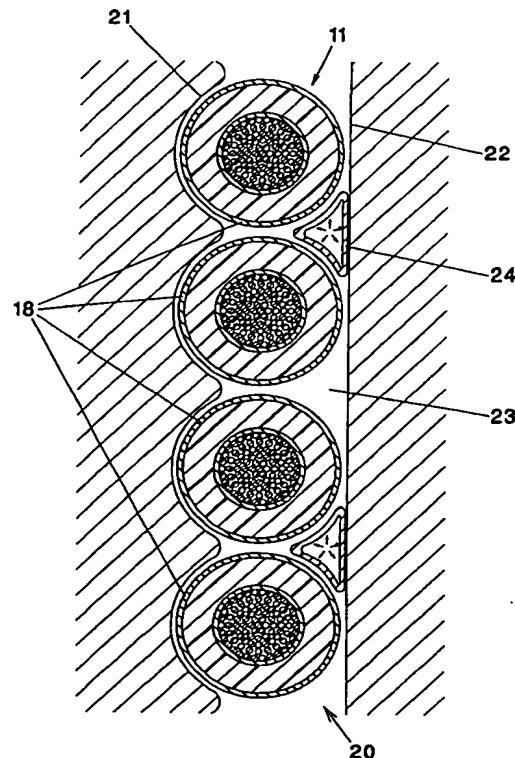
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(54) Title: A METHOD OF APPLYING A TUBE MEMBER IN A STATOR SLOT IN A ROTATING ELECTRICAL MACHINE

(57) Abstract

A method for mounting a tube member (24) in a space (23) having a shape corresponding to the shape of the tube member (24), the tube member (24) being inserted into the space (23), after which a pressure medium is heated and pressurises the tube member (24) so that this softens and expands, its outer periphery assuming the shape of the limiting areas of space (23), after which the hot pressure medium is replaced with or converted to a cold pressure medium which fills out the expanded tube member (24) and causes it to solidify and permanently assume this expanded shape, and also a rotating electric machine arranged in accordance with the method.



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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC6: H02K 3/24, H02K 3/48

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

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1. The following indications appeared on record concerning:

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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Applicant ABB AB et al		

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 6 sheets, including this cover sheet.

This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of _____ sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I Basis of the report
- II Priority
- III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV Lack of unity of invention
- V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI Certain documents cited
- VII Certain defects in the international application
- VIII Certain observations on the international application

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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PCT/SE98/02162**I Basis of the report**

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 the international application as originally filed. the description, pages _____, as originally filed,
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2. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

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 the claims, Nos. _____
 the drawings, sheets/fig _____

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II. Priority

1. This report has been established as if no priority had been claimed due to the failure to furnish within the prescribed time limit the requested.
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 - translation of the earlier application whose priority has been claimed.
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Thus for the purpose of this report, the international filing date indicated above is considered to be the relevant date.

3. Additional observations, if necessary:

The priority is valid and therefore document WO, A1 9745935 is of no relevance.

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V. Resoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**1. Statement**

Novelty (N)	Claims	<u>1-19</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	<u>1-19</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	<u>1-19</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO

2. Citations and explanations

The claimed invention concerns a method for mounting a tube member in a space with a shape corresponding to the shape of the tube member. The claimed invention also concerns a rotating electrical machine equipped with said tube member. The tube member is inserted into the space, then a pressure medium is heated and pressurises the tube member so that it softens and expands and so that its outer periphery assumes the shape of the limiting areas of the space. The expanded shape of the tube member is permanentized by replacing the hot pressure medium with or converting it to a cold pressure medium. The tube member is then used as a cooling tube.

The claimed invention overcomes problems associated with previous solutions such as induced eddy currents in cooling tubes made of metal and mechanical problems connected with axial cooling ducts.

Documents cited in the International Search Report

D1 US, A, 5 587 126
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 D3 WO, A1, 9745935

These documents are considered to show the general state of the art, which is not considered to be of particular relevance to the claimed invention.

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Supplemental Box
(To be used when the space in any of the preceding boxes is not sufficient)

Continuation of: V.

Document D3 is not relevant in this International Preliminary Examination Report because the priority claimed for this International Patent Application is valid.

Claims 1-19

Claims 1 and 4

Neither one of the cited documents, taken alone or in combination, reveals the invention defined in independent claims 1 and 4. Furthermore, in the cited documents there is no information leading a person skilled in the art towards the invention defined by independent claims 1 and 4.

Therefore, the invention according to claims 1 and 4 is not considered obvious to a person skilled in the art and consequently is considered to involve an inventive step.

Claims 2-3 and 5-19

Claims 2-3 and 5-19 are dependent claims to claims 1 and 4, respectively. Consequently, bearing in mind the argumentation regarding claims 1 and 4, the invention according to claims 2-3 and 5-19 fulfills the requirement of inventive step (IS).

Conclusion

The invention defined in claims 1-19 fulfills the requirement of novelty (N) and is considered to involve an inventive step (IS). The invention defined in claims 1-19 has industrial applicability (IA).

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VI Certain documents cited**1. Certain published documents (Rule 70.10)**

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WO, A1, 9745935	04.12.1997	27.05.1997	27.11.1997

2. Non-written disclosures (Rule 70.9)

Kind of non-written disclosure	Date of non-written disclosure (day/month/year)	Date of written disclosure referring to non-written disclosure (day/month/year)

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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International application No. PCT/SE 98/02162	International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 27 November 1998	(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 27 November 1997
Applicant Asea Brown Boveri AB et al.		

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 2 sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).
2. Unity of invention is lacking (See Box II).
3. The international application contains disclosure of a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing and the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing
 - filed with the international application.
 - furnished by the applicant separately from the international application,
 - but not accompanied by a statement to the effect that it did not include matter going beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed.
 - transcribed by this Authority.
4. With regard to the title, the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

A method of applying a tube member in a stator slot in a rotating electrical machine.
5. With regard to the abstract,
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 - the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.
6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is:

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 - because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
 - because this figure better characterizes the invention.

None of the figures.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC6: H02K

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

SE, DK, FI, NO classes as above

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference P 98-578 AE/uh	FOR FURTHER ACTION	See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)
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1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 6 sheets, including this cover sheet.

This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of _____ sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I Basis of the report
- II Priority
- III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV Lack of unity of invention
- V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI Certain documents cited
- VII Certain defects in the international application
- VIII Certain observations on the international application

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L Basis of the report

1. This report has been drawn on the basis of (*Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to the report since they do not contain amendments.*):

 the international application as originally filed. the description, pages _____, as originally filed,
pages _____, filed with the demand,
pages _____, filed with the letter of _____,
pages _____, filed with the letter of _____ the claims, Nos. _____, as originally filed,
Nos. _____, as amended under Article 19,
Nos. _____, filed with the demand,
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2. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

 the description, pages _____ the claims, Nos. _____ the drawings, sheets/fig _____

3. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

4. Additional observations, if necessary:

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II. Priority

1. This report has been established as if no priority had been claimed due to the failure to furnish within the prescribed time limit the requested:
 - copy of the earlier application whose priority has been claimed.
 - translation of the earlier application whose priority has been claimed.
2. This report has been established as if no priority had been claimed due to the fact that the priority claim has been found invalid.

Thus for the purpose of this report, the international filing date indicated above is considered to be the relevant date.

3. Additional observations, if necessary:

The priority is valid and therefore document WO, A1 9745935 is of no relevance.

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V. Resoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	<u>1-19</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	<u>1-19</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	<u>1-19</u>	YES
	Claims	_____	NO

2. Citations and explanations

The claimed invention concerns a method for mounting a tube member in a space with a shape corresponding to the shape of the tube member. The claimed invention also concerns a rotating electrical machine equipped with said tube member. The tube member is inserted into the space, then a pressure medium is heated and pressurises the tube member so that it softens and expands and so that its outer periphery assumes the shape of the limiting areas of the space. The expanded shape of the tube member is permanentized by replacing the hot pressure medium with or converting it to a cold pressure medium. The tube member is then used as a cooling tube.

The claimed invention overcomes problems associated with previous solutions such as induced eddy currents in cooling tubes made of metal and mechanical problems connected with axial cooling ducts.

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These documents are considered to show the general state of the art, which is not considered to be of particular relevance to the claimed invention.

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Supplemental Box

(To be used when the space in any of the preceding boxes is not sufficient)

Continuation of: V.

Document D3 is not relevant in this International Preliminary Examination Report because the priority claimed for this International Patent Application is valid.

Claims 1-19***Claims 1 and 4***

Neither one of the cited documents, taken alone or in combination, reveals the invention defined in independent claims 1 and 4. Furthermore, in the cited documents there is no information leading a person skilled in the art towards the invention defined by independent claims 1 and 4.

Therefore, the invention according to claims 1 and 4 is not considered obvious to a person skilled in the art and consequently is considered to involve an inventive step.

Claims 2-3 and 5-19

Claims 2-3 and 5-19 are dependent claims to claims 1 and 4, respectively. Consequently, bearing in mind the argumentation regarding claims 1 and 4, the invention according to claims 2-3 and 5-19 fulfills the requirement of inventive step (IS).

Conclusion

The invention defined in claims 1-19 fulfills the requirement of novelty (N) and is considered to involve an inventive step (IS). The invention defined in claims 1-19 has industrial applicability (IA).

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VI Certain documents cited**1. Certain published documents (Rule 70.10)**

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2. Non-written disclosures (Rule 70.9)

Kind of non-written disclosure	Date of non-written disclosure (day/month/year)	Date of written disclosure referring to non-written disclosure (day/month/year)